

Book ends - commemorative

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# Curios and Relics

## Desk Supplies

### Commemorative Book Ends

Excerpts from newspapers and other sources

From the files of the  
Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection

Gosport, Indiana

September 23, 1950

Mr. William Plogstrah  
Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Mr. Plogstrah:

Your name was given to me yesterday by one of the men in the office at Indianapolis.

I was introducing to him my attractive Lincoln Bookend set. They can be used as an excellent desk piece. Nicely modelled in the round and finished in gold bronze, ivory or copper. They stand 8 inches high made of composition and have a felt base.

The enclosed cut will give some idea as to the nature of the statuette. They must be seen to be really appreciated. The man at the office thought they were very nice.

If you interested in anything like this in your sales or promotion department I shall happy to contact you farther.

Yours very truly,

*Frederic L. Hollis*  
Frederic L. Hollis  
Gosport, Indiana

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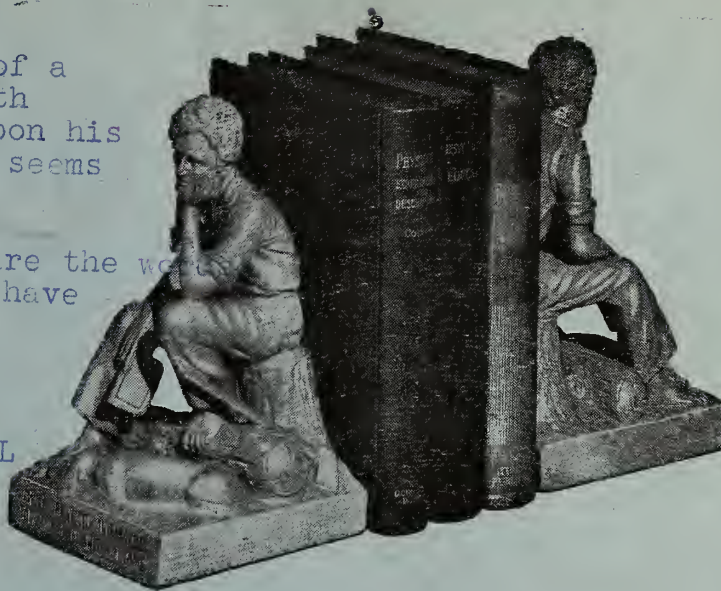
Attractively finished in  
gold bronze, copper, ivory  
and statuary bronze.

It represents Lincoln  
as an Indiana boy. He  
has a book in his hand  
an ax lies on the stump  
his old hound is on the  
ground before him.

Sitting in sort of a  
meditative mood with  
his head resting upon his  
left hand Lincoln seems  
to lost in thought.

Below on the base are the words  
Lincoln is said to have  
made.

"I WILL GET READY  
AND MAYBE SOME  
DAY MY CHANCE WILL  
COME."





October 17, 1950

Mr. Frederic L. Hollis  
Gosport, Indiana

My dear Mr. Hollis:

Your letter to Mr. Plogsterth has been forwarded to this department, and while we like the little bookends very much we have been stocking for many years a set of bookends showing the French statue at Washington which has been very popular and which we have used widely among our agents. I do not feel at this time we would care to change to another design. Thank you, nevertheless, for calling the item to our attention.

Very truly yours,

LAW:JM  
L.A. Warren

Director



# Johnson & Jensen

## AUCTION CATALOG



TIME OF SALE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1982 STARTING AT 1 PM  
PLACE: GENA CONVENTION, STATLER HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY

## G.E.N.A. Medal Auction

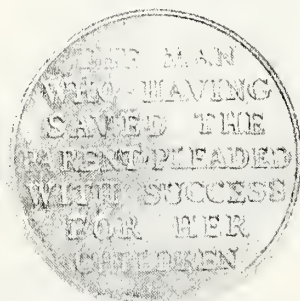
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To be held Sunday, October 3, 1982, starting at 1 PM.

All lots on view during entire Great Eastern Numismatic Association Convention,  
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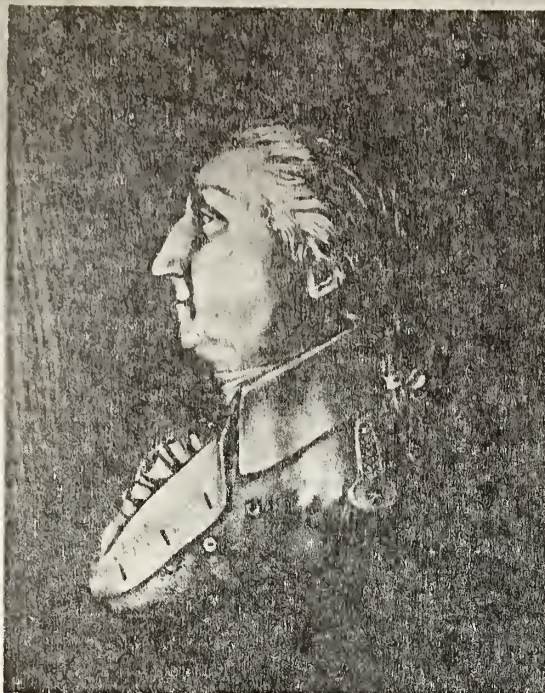
1. (Betts 169) **Jernegan Cistern Medal, 1736; 1½-inch (38.6mm)** silver. By John S. Tanner, engr. Obv Pallas standing amid emblems of glory, art & industry; legend; both hands filled for Britain, George reigning. Rev crowned Queen Caroline watering palmettos, legend; growing arts adorn empire. Issued by London goldsmith Henry Jernegan for lottery of silver vase. Fascinating history! Details worn. VF. 20 grams ..... \$55.00-65.00
2. (Betts 403) **Boscawen Louisbourg Medal, 1758; 1½-inch (40.5mm)** brass. Obv Admiral Edward Boscawen in armor right, Victor at Cape Breton. Rev five ships in sea, mortar firing at Louisbourg, shell about to strike tower at right. Thin planchet. Porosity & laminations at top rev. Holed at 11:00. Fine ..... \$25.00-27.50
3. (Betts 515) **William Pitt Stamp Act Repeal Medal, 1766; 1½-inch (41mm)** bronze. Obv bust in wig & frock coat left Gvlllelmus Pitt, no signature on truncation. Rev 7-line inscription, irregular & uneven lettering. Unsigned variety. Thin planchet 2mm, rounded rim, thick at center. Toned copper-bronze. VF ..... \$80.00-85.00



4. (Betts 516) **Set of Three William Pitt Stamp Act Repeal Medal, 1766; 1 9/16-inch (40.4mm)** silver, bronze & bronze gilt. By Thomas Pingo, engr. Obv bust in full wig, frock coat left, Gvlllelmus Pitt, T. Pingo F on truncation, minor die rust. Rev the man who having saved the parent pleaded with success for her children. Even, neat lettering, sharp regular edges. Thick 4mm base metals, 3mm silver. (Betts 516, Lawrence Brown, *British Historical Medals 1760-1960*, #100). Attractively toned silver, even-patina gilt with minor obv spotting, red-coppery bronze. EF-AU. 3 pieces. 31 grams ..... \$425.00-450.00

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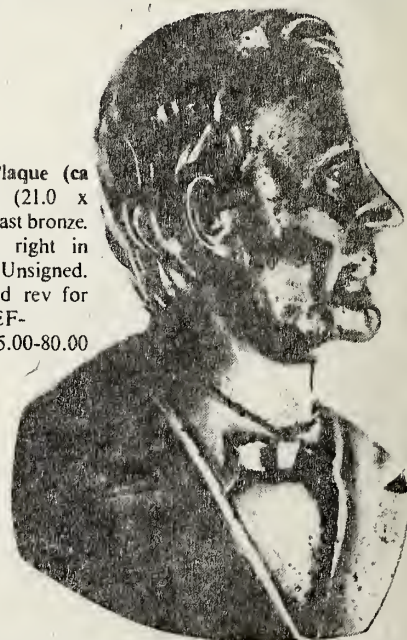


227. George Washington Bust Plaque (ca 1890); 9-inch (23 x 13.5cm) bronze foundry cast. Uniformed bust of Washington as commander in ruffled collar. Unsigned. Mounted on walnut board. AU ..... \$125.00-150.00
228. Washington Monument Philadelphia Unveiling Medal, 1897; 3-inch (75.6mm) pewter. By Aug. C. Frank, engr. Obv impressive monument equestrian Washington with reliefs, figures & animals at base. Rev seal Soc of Cincinnati, eagle, oval panel showing Washington as farmer encircled by Latin legend he gave up everything to serve the republic. Struck by Peter L. Krider Co, Philadelphia. EF ..... \$75.00-85.00
229. George Washington Plaque (ca 1925); 8½-inch (21.5 x 17cm) bronze silverplate uniface. Head right with peruke, patterned after Houdon bust. Mounted on shield shape softwood. EF ..... \$40.00-50.00
230. (Masonic) Washington Masonic National Memorial Dedication Medal, 1932; 1 5/16-inch (32.8mm) bronze. Obv Washington as master standing before pedestal. Rev Alexandria Virginia memorial; date below. Unsigned. Unc \$12.00-15.00
231. George Washington Bicentennial Rhode Island Medal, 1932; 2 9/16-inch (65.2mm) bronze. Obv bust ¾ left. Rev commem inscription, State of Rhode Island in cartouche below. Struck by the Robbins Co, Attleboro. Light brown patina. VF-EF ..... \$20.00-22.50
232. Group of 3 Washington Medals, 1917-39; 1 to 1¼-inch (25.8-31.6mm) brass, bronze. Includes 1939 World's Fair Medal & Washington-Lafayette Paris Art Medal. VF-AU. 3 pieces ..... \$10.00-12.00
233. Complete Set of 4 Masonic Death Centenary Medals, 1899; 1 9/16-inch (40mm) bronze. Common obv Houdon bust right. Congressional order for Washington Masonic Monument Assn, Alexandria, Va. Rev tributes to Washington as greatest surveyor, farmer & firefighter of his day, Master Mason, Alexandria Lodge No. 22. Struck by US Mint. Olive tan patina. EF-AU. 49 pieces. .... \$80.00-85.00

#### LINCOLN

234. (King 297) Lincoln Centennial GAR Medal, 1909; 3-inch (76.1mm) bronze. Obv bearded bust Lincoln, legend with malice toward home. Rev 9-line commem inscription within laurel & oak wreath. Struck by Jos. K. Davidson's & Sons, Phila. AU ..... \$23.00-30.00
235. (King 301) Abraham Lincoln Grand Army of the Republic Medal, 1909; 3-inch (76.1mm) bronze. By Jules Edouard Roine, sc. Obv bust left, 1809-1909 flanking; with malice toward none with charity for all around. Rev GAR commem inscription in oak & laurel wreath. Struck by Davison & Sons, Phila. One of 8500 struck. Copyright mark obv. Dark brown patina. AU ..... \$20.00-25.00

236. (King 305) Abraham Lincoln Birth Centennial Medal, 1909; 2 7/16-inch (62.4mm) bronze. By Jules Edouard Roine, sc. Obv bearded bust left J.E. Roine incuse on shoulder, large MACO monogram near date 1865. Rev liberator, emancipation proclamation inscription & facsimile signature. Struck by Medallie Art Co. (08-5) Light gold patina. EF-AU ..... \$40.00-45.00
237. (King 307) Abraham Lincoln Birth Centennial Medal, 1909; 2 7/16-inch (62.5mm) bronze. Similar, but J.E. Roine in relief letters, tiny MACO monogram. Light tan patina. AU ..... \$40.00-45.00
238. (King 313) Lincoln Centennial Medal, 1909; 2-inch (50.9mm) bronze silverplate. By Bela L. Pratt, sc. Obv bearded bust right, centennial of Abraham Lincoln above. Rev eagle above 6-line inscription from Gettysburg Address, fasces below. Struck by Whitehead & Hoag. AU ..... \$35.00-40.00
239. (King 344) Lincoln Centennial Medal, 1909; 1¼-inch (31.8mm) copper. Obv bust right with name flanking & birth-date below. Rev with malice toward none inscription in center; presented by the Boston Sunday American below. Struck by Whitehead & Hoag. VF-EF ..... \$12.50-15.00
240. (King 383) Lincoln Birth Centennial Medalet, 1909; 1-inch (25mm) bronze silverplate. By Henning Ryden, sc. Obv bearded bust right. Rev log cabin & capitol dome emancipator of a race, savior of the union. Struck by Whitehead & Hoag. EF ..... \$17.50-20.00
241. (King 907) Lincoln Uniface Medal (ca 1909); 2½-inch (63.2mm) bronze uniface. Bearded bust of mature president right, anepigraphic. Struck by Robbins Co, Attleboro. VF ..... \$40.00-45.00
242. (King 987) Abraham Lincoln Medal, 1909 (restrike 1975); 2 11/16-inch (68.2mm) bronze. By Charles Calverley, sc. Obv bearded bust right, dates of birth & death. Rev 6-line quote with malice toward none between 2 Roman fasces. Struck by Medallie Art Co both originally & in 1975 (09-5). Light brown patina. Unc ..... \$17.50-22.50
243. Same. Lincoln Birth Centennial Medal, 1909. Nicks. F-VF ..... \$12.50-15.00
244. (King 1023 Variant) New York Sunday American Lincoln Birth Centennial Medal, 1909; 1¾-inch (32mm) bronze. Obv bust right, birth date below. Rev excerpt from Gettysburg Address. Struck by Whitehead & Hoag. Coin relief & finish. Type of King 1023 obv. Partially lustrous. Unc \$15.00-17.50



245. Lincoln Bust Plaque (ca 1910); 8¼-inch (21.0 x 13.8cm) foundry cast bronze. Mature Lincoln right in frock coat & tie. Unsigned. Drilled & tapped rev for plaque mount. EF-AU ..... \$75.00-80.00

246. Pair of Abraham Lincoln Bookends (ca 1910); 3 3/16-inch (81.2 x 60.3mm) casting metal bronzed. Bust of Lincoln ¾ facing on pebbled tombstone-shaped field. Unsigned. VF-EF. 2 pieces ..... \$30.00-32.50





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**HEAD OF LINCOLN**  
by Herman Heilborn  
American, 20th Century  
Original in  
Private Collection

A rare portrait of one of our best grass-roots humorists. Lincoln's skill at storytelling, from early Salem to the last days in Washington, where his frank delight in rough humor often shocked his staid cabinet, has become legend. It has added endearing humaneness to a man who, more than any other, has stirred the deepest feelings of a nation.

This sensitive head, with its uneven part and shaggy forelock, would seem to be based on an early Lincoln, one that Matthew Brady caught in 1861 with his famous camera shot of Lincoln reading to Tad. Later photographs, taken after the second inauguration, show his face gaunt and lined with the shock of war and personal tragedy.

Although Lincoln has been the subject of sculptors for many years, a standing Lincoln has never before been available in a size suitable for the home, office or school. Mr. Cipriano was commissioned to do this figure based on his outstanding sculptural ability.



**ABRAHAM LINCOLN, standing**  
by Anthony Cipriano  
American, 20th Century  
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